

## THE TOWN CLOCK.

## Roanoke Citizens are in Favor of the Scheme.

The question has been for some time mooted as to the advisability of putting a city clock in Roanoke. The dome of the new courthouse was built with that purpose in view. The opinions of the business men of the city differ only in regard to time, as all seem to think that the city clock would be both useful and ornamental. A committee was appointed from the Council about two months ago to figure on estimates, etc., but the matter has not as yet been referred to the finance committee. Below are some of the expressions picked up by a TIMES reporter Monday morning:

Capt. M. M. Rogers said he thought it a matter of great importance, in which all classes of citizens are more or less interested. It is a matter, however, entirely within the province of the Council.

J. W. Coon, president of the Commercial National Bank, was next seen. He favors the city clock, but a business engagement prevented the reporter from getting any further expression. E. K. Woodward, one of Roanoke's most solid business men, was next interviewed. He said: "I have always favored the erection of a city clock, in fact, favored it as far back as seven years ago. A good clock ought not to cost more than \$1,500 or \$2,000, and it is a convenience to all classes of citizens, as well as the stranger on the street."

T. T. Fishburne, of the National Exchange Bank, was seen and expressed it as his opinion that this was not the proper time, in view of the heavy expenses of the city, to talk of a city clock.

Samuel W. Jamison, of the Trust, Loan and Safe Deposit Company, followed the remarks made by Mr. Fishburne, and in effect said: "This is the wrong time to consider the clock question. The many whistles," he said, "are sufficient to warn the workman and the itinerant of the time of day."

Rosenbaum Bros. the dry goods men were next interviewed and favored the city clock scheme. Mr. Rosenbaum said: "Much smaller cities have clocks. They are things of utility and common convenience."

Mr. McBain, of the firm of Snyder & McBain, were next seen and seemed to think that a clock on the dome of the courthouse would be a "thing of beauty and a joy forever." Mr. Heironimus, the Commerce street merchant, concurred in the opinions of those friendly to the clock, thinking that the measured stroke of a great clock in the cupola of some public building would be a new evidence of Roanoke's push and energy.

## THE MOOMAW ASSIGNMENTS.

## Full List of the Property Conveyed by Them.

A deed of trust has been executed and filed in the clerk's office in which D. C. Moomaw and wife, Rebecca A. Moomaw, deed to William H. Moomaw, the trustee, the following property: One lot on Salem avenue; one on Campbell avenue; one on Fourth avenue; one on Salem avenue; same on same. The deed was made to secure the payment of the following notes, to wit: One note, payable to W. P. Moomaw, \$1,954; one note drawn by D. C. Moomaw, payable to S. Crumpecker, \$1,000; one note drawn by D. C. Moomaw, payable to W. P. Moomaw, \$800; same, \$1,450; one note payable to Jos. C. Moomaw, \$675; one note drawn by D. C. Moomaw, payable to Jos. C. Moomaw, \$1,200; same, \$1,000; same, \$300, with interest thereon, and attorney's fees to Moomaw and Woods to the amount of \$1,000; one bond drawn by D. C. Moomaw, payable to C. G. Nininger, \$3,359; same, \$600, all of which bonds bear interest; bonds to Lewis Layman aggregating \$3,009, but the intention is to secure the whole of the debt to W. I. Pettigrew; one bond to the amount of \$2,329.66; one bond of \$1,700, subject to a credit of \$70.00 executed to Allen Spessard; two notes of \$500, payable to D. C. Yates in one and two years after date. The deed recites in the event that default should be made in the payment of the above mentioned debts or either of them shall remain in default for a period of three years, in being requested so to do by any of the above mentioned creditors the said trustee shall sell the property hereby conveyed.

The aggregated amount of indebtedness is \$17,941, while the property conveyed in the deed is estimated to be worth far more money.

## MEETING OF COUNCIL.

## Bonds Approved and Other Business Transacted.

The city fathers held a short session last night with sixteen members present. The minutes of the last meeting were approved without being read, as each member had been furnished with a copy.

The contract and bond of J. A. Gillespie for paving Nelson street for \$1,862 was accepted.

The bond of W. F. Patterson for \$2,336.25 for macadamizing Henry street was accepted and the board of public works instructed to have the work begin at once.

Dr. Moorman was allowed a fee of \$10 for making a post-mortem examination on a negro about three months ago.

The bill of the Gas and Water Company for \$58.40, for furnishing water for the fire plugs, was then laid over until next meeting.

The bill of W. F. Patterson for \$2.23, for extra work on the streets, was referred to the street committee.

The trustees of Trinity Tabernacle having sold the building on Kirk avenue to the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium, permission was granted them to remove it to their lot across the street.

Council adjourned to meet again Thursday night.

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## ATLANTIC PASSENGER FARES.

## Some Interesting Information About Ocean Steamships and Ocean Travel.

[Special Correspondence.]

OMAHA, Nov. 3.—Nowadays one hears and reads so much about the development of the modern steamship that that phase of the question which concerns the pocketbook is to a certain extent lost sight of.

Most people of course are aware that they can get across the Atlantic pretty comfortably for about a hundred dollars; perhaps a little more, perhaps a little less. But at that point, unless they are in the habit of frequently crossing the "herring pond," their knowledge ceases.

The rates of passage charged by the different steamship companies from New York to Europe vary greatly, according to the season of the year. During the summer months they are fixed at as high a figure as possible, while in winter they fall correspondingly.

The statement may sound paradoxical, but it is nevertheless true that steamship rates were never so high and yet never so low as they are in this present year of grace. For fifty or sixty dollars one can today obtain accommodations that it was simply impossible to get at any price fifteen, even ten, years ago, while on the other hand the genial passenger clerk of any of the fast lines will cheerfully relieve you of \$500, \$600, or even \$650, in exchange for a ticket to Liverpool, Havre, Southampton or Hamburg. Such rates as those just named were never dreamed of until within the last few years.

The highest rates are those charged by the Inman and White Star people for accommodations in their crack steamers, City of New York, City of Paris, and Teutonic and Majestic. All these steamers have quarters for the rental of which for 6, 6½ or 7 days \$600 and \$650 are asked. The suites for which this enormous rate is demanded consist of a stateroom, bath and toilet room, and a small reception or drawing room, and can be occupied by one, two, three or four persons. The Hamburg-American company follows closely. On its new Augusta Victoria, Normannia and Columbia there are staterooms and deck cabins renting for as much as \$500. The North German Lloyd also has accommodations for which a similar price is obtained. So has the French Transatlantique. The Cunard line (as have also the Arizona and Alaska of the Guion line) has excellent deck cabins, for which a good round sum is charged. There are of course lots of cheaper berths on the steamers named. Most of them have accommodations which rent for only \$60. Others (and better) bring \$75, \$90, \$100, \$125, \$150, \$200 or \$250, as the case may be. Every taste and pocketbook are provided for, and passengers, whether they pay \$60 or \$600, have equal deck and saloon privileges.

Now as to second cabin rates. Naturally enough there is not here the diversity of fares that prevails in the cabin. The accommodations offered are too nearly alike, and, moreover, the class of travel for which they are designed is not such as to make necessary any great differences. Generally speaking, the rate in the case of steamships plying to English ports runs from \$30 to \$40. In a few cases \$45 is asked, but that is the limit. The French and German lines, however, ask considerably more, and doubtless offer better accommodations. Their rate is from \$60 to \$65.

The steerage fare is \$20, with a small additional charge when the traveler's objective point is a Swedish, Norwegian or Danish port.

Until about 1875 the cabin rates of most of the lines were pretty much alike, varying from \$70 to \$100, according to the berth. Then the Cunard and White Star forged ahead of their rivals, furnished better accommodations and charged more for them. The results are now evident on every hand. The second cabin rates at that time were \$40, sometimes \$45, and the steerage—to or from British ports—\$28. So long as the stream of immigration to the United States lasted everything was lovely. The steamship companies had all they could do to handle the tremendous flood of travel which sped westward, and they could not spare time to cut rates. But the year 1880, which saw the climax of steerage travel across the Atlantic, witnessed also the commencing struggles of a bitter competition for business. So keen did the rivalry become that in 1885 passengers were being conveyed from Liverpool to New York for ten dollars. When one remembers that out of this sum the selling agent was allowed a commission of two dollars, one is at a loss to understand how the business could be carried on. However, such a state of affairs could not long endure, and the rate was gradually increased to twenty dollars, its present figure.

The influence of this long lasting disturbance in steerage fares was felt, though not to a very great extent, in the second cabin and resulted in a reduction in several cases of from five to ten dollars in intermediate fares.

The greatest factor in the unsettling of steerage rates is the Scandinavian trade. Properly the business belongs to the direct lines from Swedish and Norwegian ports, but the Liverpool companies every spring make most determined efforts to secure a good share of it. The result is that the month of April almost invariably ushers in a war of rates that continues with more or less bitterness for weeks or months. J. M. CAMPBELL.

An Earthquake Shock Near Philadelphia. Dr. John Guiteras, of west Philadelphia, who personally experienced the memorable earthquake at Charleston, writes that at 9:40 o'clock on Monday evening he felt the shock which about the same time startled the residents along an imaginary line running in a southwesterly direction through Chester and Wilmington. The shock of earthquake was also felt at Shawmont station on the Reading railroad.

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John Goode, the negro who was shot at Williams' livery stable about a couple of months ago by C. C. Pennell, was arrested yesterday by Officer Peck and locked up at the station house. It appears that Goode had a few words with a railroad man near the depot and used some very offensive language, at which he was struck by the railroad man. Goode was heard to make the remark that when he came back he would fix him. Officer Peck was on the lookout for him, and when he made his appearance he was promptly arrested. He had a pistol on his person, of which he was relieved.

## Consumption.

THE most to be dreaded of all diseases often begins in a simple cold, simply neglected. No cough should be allowed to run a single day without using the finest remedy in the world, Dr. Hale's Household Cough Cure. It acts like magic, strengthening the lungs, allaying all irritation and cures a cough where all other remedies fail. 25 and 50c per bottle at Massie & Martin's, cor. Commerce street and Salem avenue.

## William Skelley.

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